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Office Action Summary	Application No. 10/769,373	Applicant(s) TSUJI, TOSHIHIKO	
	Examiner D. Rutledge	Art Unit 2851	

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 28 June 2005.
- 2a) ☐ This action is FINAL. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1,2,5-18 and 21 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1,2,5-18 and 21 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

1. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

2. Claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 9, 10, 15 and 17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Kim (US Pat. No. 5,695,277).

The reference a light source and illumination system that provide uniform and parallel, and condensed light. The arrangement has source 1; first mirror which has an aperture that is symmetrical about the optical axis and light from the second mirror 4 (which is also symmetric about the optical axis) is reflected through the aperture of the first mirror. The light is collimated by the lens 6. See figure 2. See the text at column 2, lines 43 – 56; column 4, lines 40 – 43 and line 53 to column 4, line 10 for condensing, overlapping, and mirror shape.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

3. The text of those sections of Title 35, U.S. Code not included in this action can be found in a prior Office action.

4. Claims 1, 2, 5 – 18 and 21 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Kim (US Pat. No. 5,695,277) in view of Ota (US 6,485,153) and the Prior of Fig. 11 of current application.

It is not clear whether the Kim reference has rotational symmetric mirrors. The applicant is trying to solve the problem of uniform light, which is not provided by the

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prior art reference of fig. 11. One of ordinary skill in the art would be motivated to rotational mirror as taught by the prior art, but symmetrical mirror arranged as taught by Kim to provide uniform illumination. One of ordinary skill in the art would provide the other components used in the illumination system for exposing an image of a patterning means onto a substrate, such as the integrator for providing plural sources, condensing means, etc., as shown in the prior art of fig. 11. One of ordinary skill in the art would provide cooling means for mirrors 3 and 4 of the Kim reference to control temperatures to prevent adverse conditions. Ota teaches the use cooling means for paraboloid mirrors. Kim teaches using rods to fix the mirrors using spokes or rods, see column 3, lines 40-43.

Conclusion

5. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure. Sato et al. (US Pat. No. 4,861,148) has mirror arrangements in which a radiation from a second mirror are reflected through the aperture of a first mirror.

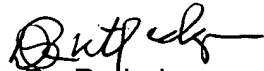
Response Data

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to D. Rutledge whose telephone number is (571) 272-2127. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon - Thurs, 6:00 AM - 4:30 PM.

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If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Judy Nguyen can be reached on (571) 272-2258. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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